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and 20 Men Clinging to Her

REFUSED BECAUSE

Heavy Bombardments Are in Progress at Various Points Along the West Front, Especially in the Region of Loos and Around Neuville-There is Comparative Quiet on the Russian Battle Line-Along the Austro-Italian Front Heavy Artillery Duels Continue-News is Lacking Regarding Operations in the Caucasus and Mesopotamia.

A trawler reaching Grimsby reported having seen in the North sea Zeppelin L-19 partly submerged and with between 17 and 20 men clinging to her gas envelope. Aid was refused the Germans because they outnumbered the crew of the trawler.

Fifty shots, some of which are be-lieved to have hit her, were fired at a Zeppelin Wednesday morning as it a zeppelin wednesday morning as it flew low in a fog over the island of Ameland off the coast of Holland. This airship, according to an Am-sterdam report, finally disappeared northward, a course which would have taken her out into the North sea. Heavy bombardments are in pre-

gress at various points along the western line, especially in the region of Loos, held by the British and around Neuville, where the Germans recently captured French positions. The British are carrying out mining operations around Hulluch. Near the Bols des Buttes, north of the Alsne,

A Zeppelin airship and probably all the French put down a German attack her crew has been lost in the North sea and it is believed that she met, her fate through the fire of Dutch anti-aircraft guns.

There is comparative quiet on the Russian front except for bombardments and minor infantry engagements. Unofficial advices say floods in the Styr river region ompelled the Teutons strongly fortified positions and that many deaths have occurred among these forces from pulmonary trou-

bles, owing to the exposure.

Along the Austro-Italian front
heavy artillery duels continue. Nothing new has come through with regard to the situation in Albania. A
despatch from Athens gives a report of an encounter between Bulgarians and entente allied detachments at the junction of the Greek-Serbian-Bulgarian frontiers in which the entente

allies repulsed the Bulgarians.

News is lacking concerning the operations in the Caucasus and in Mesopotamia. A Bucharest despatch says the German field marshal, Von Sanders, who was commander of the First Turkish army on the Gallingii. First Turkish army on the Gallipoli peninsula, has now been made com-mander of the Turkish troops in the

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

cific Fleet.

other to make useless the one which

mit they fear may fall into the hands

of some foreign government.

The battle signal book contains the secret code used in war and in battle

Navy officers express some satis-faction that the battle signal book and

not the secret code which is used when

not the secret code which is used when ships are in foreign waters are communicating with home, is the one which disappeared. This latter code is recognized among nations as the best of its kind in the world and would be difficult to replace.

CARRANZA FORCES DEFEATED

pico-Lost Forty Men.

and Tampico, according to a consular despatch from Tampico. The Car-

ported today that he had been official

by General Muirguia are being brought

Whence It Came.

Wilmington, Del., Feb. 3.—It became known today that a mysterious aero

plane was seen hovering over the Du Pont Powder Works at Carney's Point, N. J., on the Delaware river last Mon-

day night, but whench it came of where it went has not been establish-

This much has been admitted today

by an official of the Du Pont com-pany who said one of the company's men employed at Deep Water Point,

at the southern end of Carney's Point and about opposite Newcastle, Del., saw the airship, which, after making a circular flight disappeared in a southeasterly direction.

SPEAKS ON DISCIPLINE

EX-PRESIDENT TAFT

MYSTERIOUS AEROPLANE

At Carney's Point-Nobody

ly informed that General Arguedo and other rebel officers and men captured

OVER DU PONT PLANT

IN EASTERN OIL REGION.

Mare Island Navy vard.

OF BATTLE SIGNAL BOOK.

25,000 MEN NEEDED TO PROTECT PANAMA CANAL. Gen. C. R. Edwards So Informs the From the Destroyer Hull of the Pa Senate Military Committee.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Twenty-five thousand men, or more than one-fourth the present total strength of the standing army are needed to insure adequate protection of the Panama canal. Brigadler General Clarence R. Edwards, commanding the canal garrison, told the senate military committee today in outlining his opinions on national defence.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Navy officials frankly admit that they are alarmed at the mysterious disappearance of the battle signal book from the destroy-err Hull of the Pacific fieet.

Admiral Winslow today reported that all efforts to find the highly confidential code have been unavailing and navy officers said that it probably would at once be replaced by an-

and navy officers said that it propa-bly would at once be replaced by annational defense, Fixed fortifications, no matter how rong, cannot guard the zone, General Edwards said, and without a mobile army to back them up the guns al-ready there are a source of weakness, not strength. He declared the jungle on parts of the zone would be more of a protection than a hindrance to practice in times of peace. The copy on the Hull was in possession of Lieut. H. A. Jones, commander of the Pacific reserve torpedo fictilla and Ensign Robert D. Kirkpatrick. Both officers have been courtmartialed at Mare Island Navy vard

an approaching enemy.
"But this is far from all," he dded.
"At a distance of from 17 to 20 miles from the axis of the canal on the Pacific side the country is not only free from jungle and the ordinary tropical growths, but it is as open as are parts of New Mexico and Lower California There an enemy is offered every facility for landing mobile troops and reaching by easy marches the vitals of the canal—the Miraflores and Pedro Miguel locks. The most casual reflection by any military stu-dent familiar with the facts should show that we must never let an enemy approach within ten miles of the locks.

The contemplated permanent force "The contemplated permanent force of civil employes is from 2,000 to 2,-500 whites and 1,000 blacks. In the event of war likely to involve the canal, it is probable that many of them would volunteer. I recommend legislation therefore, that shall require all male civilian employes of the canal of suitable age and physical condition to obligate themselves to volunteer and in preparation for this

ELEVEN LIVES LOST IN FLOODS IN ARKANSAS.

Hundreds of Families Are Homeless-

Suffering Increases. Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 3.—Eleven lives have been lost and hundreds of thousands of dollars damage done by the floods now devastating Arkansas. Hundreds of families are homeless and the next two days is expected to see the loss and suffering increased. Tom Perugis, a farmer, was drowned

near Newman today when he attempted to steer a skiff through a swift turrent. An unidentified white man was found dead near Newman. A negro family—father and mother and child—were drowned near Mel-wood. Two other deaths had been reported from that district previously. Reports from Pine Bluff said T. L. Pertius, aged 60, was drowned when its boat capsized while trying to cross Cypress creek, near Dumas. Three legro women are said to have drowned lear Plumes.

PLYMOUTH CORDAGE CO. OPENED GATES TO WORKERS

iear Dumas.

Force of 175 Policemen Were on Duty

Plymouth, Mass., Feb. 3.—After a that down of several weeks, due to a strike of 2,000 employes for higher vages, the Plymouth Cordage commany opened its gates today, but it was stated that only 50 of the operatives returned to work. A force of 75 policemen was on duty. During the first hour there was no disorder and no arrests were made, although the streets about the plant were thronged and men and women were houting "no work, no work." No attempt was made to interfere with ersons who entered the gates.

SPEAKS ON DISCIPLINE.

Advises the Pupils of Banger High School to Cultivate Obedience.

Banger, Me., Feb. 3.—Former President William H. Taft addressed the pupils of the Banger High school to-day on "Discipline." In order to become the citizens of tomorrow, he said, pupils must cultivate the habit of obedience. Wr. Taft also delivered the school on "Tage of the Executive."

Cabled Paragraphs

Former Premier of Greece Dead. London, Feb. 3, 1.24 p. m.—The death of former Premier Mavromichalls of Greece, is announced in a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Athens.

Coinage of Silver in Peru. Lima, Peru, Feb. 3.—In accordance with the law enacted in December permitting the making of silver coin by private persons, the government today issued a decree for the coinage in this manner of an amount not exceeding 500,000 sols (\$500,000).

BOMB EXPLODED IN CANADIAN HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT

Historic Building Destroyed by Fire-Two Women Were Overcome By Smoke and Perished-Several Policemen and Firemen Were Buried When One End of the Structure Col-

Ottawa, Feb. 4.-The historic Canidian parliament building was destroyed last night by a fire declared unofficially to have been caused by the explosion of a gas bomb or an infernal machine. Two women guests of the wife of Speaker Sevigny were overcome by smoke and perished.

Policemen and Firemen Buried. Several policemen and firemen were buried under debris when one end of the building collapsed. The number of persons taken to hospitals had not been determined early this morning. Frederick F. Pardee, chief liberal whip and William S. Loggie, a member of parliament from New Brunswick, are missing and it is feared they have lost

At Least One Explosion.

It has been established that the first burst of flame in the reading room of the house of commons was preceded by at least one explosion and probably two. The force of the concus-n was so severe that persons standing some distance away were hurled to the floor. A rigid investi-gation to determine the cause of the fire already has been undertaken by the Dominion authorities.

Flames Spread Rapidly. The flames spread with such amazing rapidity that the Ottawa fire brig-ade was utterly helpless to cope with them and aid was sent from Montreal on a special train but at one o'clock this morning the fire was still raging.

The loss cannot be estimated in money. The building was valued at about \$5,000,000 but the contents are of inestimable value. There was no insurance

insurance. Chambers Destroyed. At midnight the commons and sen-ate chambers had been destroyed and as the great clock boomed out the hour flames were swirling up the mag-nificent tower and licking their way to its top. The parliament library at the rear probably will be saved. Sol-diers were assigned to carry out its contents.

contents. Members of the parliament, spec-tators in the gallery floor of the house government employes and others who vere in the building narrowly escap ed death or injury.

Within a few minutes after the fire begun corridors were filled with smoke and at many points the flames barred progress. There were many doors to the great building, but since the outbreak of the war all except the main portals have been closed to safe-guard the legislators. This precau-tion made escape more difficult and probably was responsible for the deaths of Madame Bray of Montreal any Mme. Morin of Beauce in one of the reoms of the speaker's suite

the rooms of the speaker's suite. Dropped Into Net. Mme Sevigny saved her two children by dropping them into a safety net and then leaped to safety herself. Another of her guests, Mme. Dussault, saved herself in the same way. Among those severely burned was Minister of Agriculture Burrell, who fell unconscious after polymers. fell unconscious after through fire and groping smoke-filled corridor.

Half Way Between Tuxpan and Tam APPAM CASE BECOMING Washington, Feb. 3.—Rebels in the eastern oil region of Mexico yesterday defeated Carranza forces at Chapapote, half way between Tuxpan

A COMPLEX PROBLEM Affecting Fundamental Questions Naval Warfare.

condition to obligate themselves to volunteer and in preparation for this to offer themselves for a period of at least two months training during the first two years of their employment and thereafter for ten days each year."

and Tampico, according to a consular despatch from Tampico. The Carranza forces lost forty men and a quantity of guns and ammunition.

The leader of the rebels is believed to have been General Pallaez. No foreigner was injured, according to the fundamental questions of naval warfare at issue between the United States and Germany.

the department's report, but a number of oil camps were raided.

States department officials were anxious about his safety of Americans and their property.

Was injured, according to warfare at issue between the United States and Germany.

For that reason it was not finally decided whether the ship should be returned to her British owners under returned to her British owners under The Hague convention or held the fair prize of her German captors under the Prussian-American treaty, although the indications remained that the latter course ultimately would be fol-

Officials are said to realize that their construction of the Prussian-American treaty in this case undoubtedly will come up as a precedent at some other time during the war, and even might have a bearing on the case of the American sailing ship William P. Frye, sunk a year ago by the German commerce raider Prinz Eitel Friedrich. The Frye case is on the eve of settlement, virtually on terms for which the

United States contends. CHARGED WITH PAYMENT

OF FRAUDULENT CLAIMS. Charles R. Hotaling of a New Yor Legislative Committee.

New York, Feb. 3 .- Charles R. Ho taling, sergeant at arms of the Thomp-son legislative committee, investigat-ing the down state public service commission, was indicted today by the grand jury. He is charged with violating sections of the penal law relative to the payment of fraudulent claims against the state.

tive to the payment of fraudulent claims against the state.

The indictment was found in con-nection with the investigation made by the jury into the expense bills in-curred by members of the Thompson committee at the Blitmore hotel which it was Hotaling's duty to audit.

Movements of Steamships Liverpool, Feb. 2.—Sailed: Steamer Adriatic, New York. Bergon, Feb. 2.—Sailed: Steamer Bergensfjord, New York. New York, Feb. 2.—Sailed. Steamer Lapland, Liverpool.

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PRESIDENT WILSON TELLS BIG AUDIENCE IN ST. LOUIS

s On His Way to Washington, Confident That His Mission for Prepared ness Has Been Successful-May Make Other Trips.

On Board President Wilson's Special On Board President Wilson's Special, Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3.—President Wilson was speeding back to Washington tonight convinced that the people of the middle west are with him on the issue of national defense and are prepared to insist that congress take speedy action.

He finished his speaking tour in St. Louis and expressed the conviction that his mission had succeeded beyond his greatest hopes. He will arrive in Washington at 1 p. m. tomorrow.

When the president Wilson, Feb. 3.—Despatches on the Lusitania situation from Colonel E. M. House, now on a special mission in Europe, for President Wilson, are believed to have been delivered to the president today on his special train.

Colonel House discussed the situation with high German officials, informing them of the position of the United States and receiving in return first hand information of their viewpoint. Details were not disclosed in which is the Lusitania situation from Colonel E. M. House, now on a special mission in Europe, for President Wilson, are believed to have been delivered to the president today on his special train.

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When the president's train reached Indianapolis at 5.45 p. m. for a five-minute stop, a large crowd greeted him at the station. When cries were made for a speech he appeared on the platform of his car and said:

"Indiana is all right."

Crowd Shouted for Mrs. Wilson, The crowd then shouted for Mrs. Wilson, but the president told them she was resting, and she did not appear. Members of the Indiana Democratic club sent Mrs. Wilson a large bunch of American Beauty roses.

President Wilson's advisors believe he has explained clearly why he considers immediate preparedness imperative, has won many converts to the movement, and has given new impetus

movement, and has given new impetus to a discussion of the cause. From the sympathetic attitude of most of his audiences, from the enthusiasm his every appearance in public has evoked, from the huge crowds which have greeted them, they have drawn the conclusion that the people overwhelmingly sup-port his plans—at least, in the middle

The president's official family want him to start soon on another tour. Some of them liken his swing through the middle west to an operation not yet completed. En route to Washington tonight, they looked both south and west for the setting of his next appearance in the role of champion of national preparedness.

The south beckened with many

The south beckoned with many hands. Senators and representatives from most of the southern states alfrom most of the southern states already have asked him to include their
sections on his next tour. To this have
been added invitations from many public bodies, with Texas strongly asserting her claims. There is a feeling
among some of his mest intimate advisors that in choosing the scene for
his next plea to the people the president could pay no greater compliment
to his own political party than by going into its stronghold.

Considering Tell Further West

Considering Trip Further West. The west and northwest, or at least that section of the country that fringes the eastern slopes of the Rocky moun-tains, are hardly less insistent that the president's next visit shall be to them. Minneapolis, St. Paul and Denver have presented what they consider strong claims, and it is known that a trip to these cities is receiving careful consideration. If the president makes another preparedness tour it may be a combination of the two—a swing to the northwest, including Minneapolls or St. Paul, or both, Denver, and then south into Texas, possibly returning by way of New Orleans, Birmingham or Louis-

Refreshed by the Trip.

President Wilson goes back to Washington refreshed by the trip. The enthusiasm displayed wherever his itinerary has taken him, the throngs which flocked to hear him, have been a tonic to his nerves. His physician said today his appetite is good and his rest has been unimpaired. The addresses delivered at the chief stopping places have been apparently as bene-ficial as his usual game of golf.

100,000 Heard His Speeches. At least 100,000, his advisors estimate, heard the president's chief speeches. At least 50,000 more crowd-ed about the rear platform of his car during his five-minute talks, though the great majority of these were out of the range of his voice. Hardly fewer than half a million others have been banked on the sidewalks to watch him pass through the cities from railway sattion to hotel, from auditorium back to his private car.

to his private car. Believes Country With Him. the president told his audience in St. Louis today that he came away from Washington thinking that the country was with him on the issue of preparedness and is going back knowing that it is with him beyond his greatest hopes. Apparently the president's conviction of this grew with each succeeding day; deepened in Kansas City last night when he asked: "Would you volunteer?" and receiving a thundering "Yes!" from every section of the great convention hall, and reached its climax with the demonstration today at St. Louis when he told an audience St. Louis when he told an audience which cheered him tumultuously that the United States ought to have "incomparably the greatest navy in the world."

LYNCHINGS DENOUNCED BY GOV. HARRIS OF GEORGIA Threatens to Ask Legislature More Stringent Laws.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 3.—Lynchings of more than a dozen negroes in Georgia recently is denounced by Governor Harris in a statement today in which he declares that "unless conditions improve by the time the next general assembly meets," he will ask for the enactment of "more stringent laws to stop lynchings in this state." The general assembly meets in June,

CAUSE OF INCREASED PRICE OF GASOLINE Shortage of Supply and an Increase in Consumption.

Dispatches on Lusitania Here

BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DE-LIVERED TO PRESIDENT

REFRESHED BY THE TRIP WHILE EN ROUTE HOME

Details Not Disclosed-Believed to be Satisfactory Because Stay of Col. House in Berlin Was Not as Long as

Washington, Feb. 3.-Despatches on

point. Details were not disclosed in such despatches as have been received here, but they reported Colonel House found it unnecessary to remain in Berlin as long as he originally had

House Talked with German Officials It is said that Colonel House probably discussed subjects other than the Lusitania case with German officials, but that the fastiania situation occupled the major portion of his des-patches to the president. The semi-official statement of the

foreign office forwarded to this country, that there "was reasonable" hope that a communication which had been started to Count Von Bernstorff Would prove satisfactory to the United States is taken in official and diplomatic quarters to mean Germany has not accepted the tentative form of proposal exactly as it was sub-mitted. The opinion and hope was expressed by diplomats in a position to be familiar with the status of the negotiations, that the cardinal points set forth in the tentative form ap-proved by Secretary Lansing remain-

It was said here that there are cer-It was said here that there are certain words which the Berlin officials believe could not be included in the final settlement of the controversy because of concern for German public opinion. It was thought certain that this phrase had been explained to Colonel House and that he in turn has conveyed the explanations to President Wilson.

It was said tonight that the lange

It was said tonight that the lan-guage in the tentative form of proposals submitted to Secretary Lansing last week in regard to Garmany's expressed hope that the United States do everything possible toward securing freedom of the seas had been revised considerably because it was considered the words used might have conveyed the impression that Germany was making that cuestion. any was making that question a andition of settlement. This, it was explained, was in no wise the inten-tion of the German government.

In Lansing's Hands Today. The latest communication to Count rnstorff had not, it was said at e embassy, arrived in Washington conight. It is expected tomorrow. Unless present plans fail through de-lay in delivering the despatch to the of cartridges in their possession. German ambassador, the tentative form of settlement as now suggested by the German government, should be in Secretary Lansing's hands before the president returns to Washington ment, so he may go to New York.

BRITISH PRISONERS HAVE

Only the Prize Commander and Crew of Germans Aboard.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 3.-Nineteen days of ceaseless vigilance by a short-handed German prize crew aboard the former British liner Appam ended late tonight when the last of more than 400 British prisoners climb-ed over the ship's side to liberty on American soil. And for the first time since Lieutenant Berge and his 22 men boarded the liner from the raider which captured her on the night of Jan. 15 most of the Germans elept peacefully, with but a few of their number on watch number on watch.

uralized American ouit the ship, leaving the prize commander with his crew and the 20 Germans who had been prisoners on the Appam, including three women

Captain Harrison and the Appam's British crew left their vessel only after a sharp controversy between agents of Reviewing his trip in its high lights, the owners, Elder Dempster company, he president told his audience in St. and the British embassy at Washing-

> COLOMBIAN MINISTER ISSUES A STATEMENT Expressing Disapproval of Amendment to Reduce Indemnity.

Washington, Feb. 3.—While the Co-iombian treaty was being brought into the senate today Julio Betincourt, the Colombian minister, was issuing a statement expressing his disapproval of the amendments to reduce the in-demnity the United States would pay Colombia from \$25,000,000 to \$15,000,-000 and to make the expressions of re-000 and to make the expressions of regret for the partition of Panama mutual to both nations. Minister Betincourt was certain that

Minister Betincourt was certain that the treaty, aiready accepted and ratified by his country, would be rejected now with the proposed amendment.

There were suggestions in Latin-American quarters that the minister was considering whether it would be an expedient and diplomatic method of expressing disapproval if he left the legation and returned to Bogota.

Lieutenan can observe who has bee ly almost Petrograd it the Orient. legation and returned to Bogota,

of New Haven Road.

Hartford, Feb. 3.—The plan of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Raliroad company to make improvements in the railroad facilities in Old Saybrook was advanced a stage today when the public utilities commission made an order granting the petition of the company for permission to reconstruct the bridge over the Schoolhouse crossing, so-called. This ers were at Asheville, N. C., for the Washington, Feb. 3.—The greatly increased price of gasoline, Secretary Lane reported to the senate today in response to a resolution, is caused by shortage of supply and an increase in consumption. He recommended that the situation be relieved by the use of heavier distillates in internal combustion engines.

when the public made an order granting the petition at the company to reconstruct the bridge over the School-house crossing, so-called. This bridge will allow the company to construct four tracks and this improvement will relieve the freight congestion at that point. Work will begin on the improvements at once.

Condensed Telegrams

Australia will establish a directorat

Switzerland is in the market for 12,-

All mills of the American Steel Foundries are running at capacity. Premier Goremykin of Russia signed. He is succeeded by B

Germany has put into effect a law confiscating the greater part of all textile products.

Survivors of the missing British steamer Woodfield were landed at Plymouth, England.

Sixteen persons were killed and 45 injured in a train wreck at the St. Denis station, near Paris. Tramps who were allowed to sleep jail at New Castle, Pa, stole all the othing of a "trusty" caretaker.

John H. Parker was nominated for governor of Louisiana at a Progres-sive convention at New Orleans.

The Crucible Steel Co. will begin making deliveries this month on contract for 12 and 15-inch shells.

A bill to punish landlords who bar sables from apartment houses was inpables from apartment houses was in-roduced in the New York Legislature. Fifteen thousand men were employ-ed by the Street Cleaning Department to clean the snow from New York's

Much damage has been caused in Central Java by floods, 120,000 native houses having been wiped out by the waters.

Fire of undetermined origin in the business section of Plymouth, Mass., caused a loss of \$20,000 to three

A statement issued by the Austrian Ambassador at Berlin says that all reports of the illness of Emperor Franz Josef are false.

Man Charles Hillier. The Franz Fischer was a captured enemy vessel employed as a coasting collier.

Hillier, who is a native of Newfoundland, described the disaster as follows.

been sent to Yun-nan Province, China, to put down the rapidly spreading revolution there.

William P. Rolph, aged 38, of Baltimore, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor at the Hotel Mo-Alpin, New York.

Lighty thousand Chinese troops have lows:

"About 10.30 o'clock Tuesday night we heard a noise overhead, such as we had never heard before. Presently a Zeppelin came right on top of us and dropped a bomb which fell near the engine room. A tremendous explosion followed, the vessel remaining affoat only two minutes.

"There was no time to launch life-

Sam Sing, a Chinese laundryman of The Bronx, shot and killed four year old Bernard Krads, who, he claimed Fire caused \$150,000 damage in the business section of Philipsburg, Pa., among the buildings burned being the Moshannon National bank.

Ten persons were slightly injured when five cars of a Fennsylvania Raifroad express were derailed at Seward, Pa, near Pittsburgh

Four hundred pupils of the Fitler Public School in Germantown, a Philadelphia suburb, went on strike when their principal was transferred.

Total receipts derived by the State of New York from the use of auto-mobiles during the year ended Sept. 30, 1915, amounted to \$1,877,826.

Casiniro Aires and Moscow Henriques sailors of Brooklyn, were arrested there with 14 revolvers and 60 boxes

The week of Sept 25 to 30 has been selected as the time for the annual convention of the American Bankers' Association in Kansas City this year.

der control. The Lee County Grand Jury announced at Leesburg, Ga., that its investigation into the lynching of five

Engineer Birch, Steward Taylor and cathedral collapsed under the weight Seaman Hillier.

Eight time 1.

Eight lives lost, and property damage estimated at \$10,000,000 are the results of the recent floods which have swept sections of Arkansas, Mississippi and Kentucky.

A deep sea diving squad and a floating precinct station house, which may be towed wherever wanted, will be added to the equipment of the New York harbor police Secretary Huston refused to review his estimate of rice production for 1915 at the request of the Southern Rice Growers' Association, which claimed that the estimate was 10 per

cent. too high. A case of smallpox has been discovered at the Guantanamo naval station in Havana. The patient is a laborer who recently arrived from the United eign situation since he left Washing-States by way of Havana. Rigorous quarantine precautions have been

IMPROVEMENT IN RAILROAD
FACILITIES IN OLD SAYBROOK
Utilities Commission Grants Petition

The convictions of Donn M. Roberts, former mayor of Terre Haute. Ind., and ten others found guilty with him of election frauds, were sustained by the United States district court of ap-

Oramatic Appeal for Mrs. Mohr

IN CLOSING ARGUMENT BY W. H. LEWIS, HER COUNSEL

BLAMED ALL ON HEALIS

Asserted That Healls "Handed th be Continued Today

Providence, R. I., Feb. 3.—Accusing certain witnesses for the state of combining to "railroad an innocent woman to prison," William H. Lewis of counsel for the defense in the trial of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Mohr and two negroes charged with the murder of her husband, made a dramatic appeal to the jury in his closing argument her husband, made a dramatic appear to the jury in his closing argument today. Mr. Lewis, as counsel for C. Victor Brown, one of the negro de-fendants, asserted that the state was

(Continued on Page Two) COLLIER SUNK BY

A RAIDING ZEPPELIN Thirteen of the Crew, Including the Captain, Drowned.

London, Feb. 3, 9.50 p. m.—The col-lier Franz Fischer, which left Hartle-pool Monday, afternoon, was sunk at sea by one of the raiding Zeppeling which visited England. Thirteen of the crew, including the captarn, were

Three men were saved, Chief Engi-

"There was no time to launch life-boats. We all went under with the ship. When I came up again I caught hold of a lifebelt. After swimming for some time, I came across the chief engineer and the steward, who had also managed to get hold of lifebelts. By their aid we kept affoat for an

"It was pitiful to hear the cries of "It was pitiful to hear the cries of some of the other men who had come to the surface after the disappearance of the vessel, but soon their cries ceased and we concluded they were all drowned. Meanwhile we continued shouting for help. When we were almost exhausted, a Belgian steamer heard us, lowered a boat and picked us up. Subsequently we were transferred to a mine-sweeper and landed." Asked how the Zeppelin managed to locate the vessel in the dark, Hillier said the collier was riding at anchor and her anchor lights must have been seen by the men in the Zeppelin. As

to drop a bomb on her. PACIFIC NORTHWEST BATTLING WITH A SEVERE SNOWSTORM

Which Has Paralyzed Rail Communi-

seen by the men in the Zeppelin.

cation and Disorganized City Life. Seattle, Wash., Feb. 3.—The Pacific orthwest today again faced the task of battling with an almost unprece-dented snowstorm which has paralyzed rall communication, disorganized city life, held residents in outlying sections snowbound and caused many thou-sands of dollars' damage to buildings Fire broke out in the stock mill of the Calair Fox and Lumber Co., at sands of dollars' damage to buildings Calais, Me., causing damage estimated at \$10,000, before it was brought unstand the weight of more than two and a half feet of snow on their roofs. With continued cold weather and more snow in prospect, the outlook is not promis-ing today for early resumption of nor-

vestigation into the lynching of five negroes near there on Jan. 20 had proved futile

Several sheds of the Savage Arms Co., at Utica, N. Y., were destroyed by a fire that threatened the main plant. The company is filling war orders for Great Britain.

The British steamer Franz Fischer of London, has been sunk Of her crew only three men were saved, Chief Engineer Birch, Steward Taylor and mal conditions.

> PRESIDENT WILSON RECEIVES IMPORTANT DESPATCHES

From Secretary Lansing Relating to Foreign Situation. On Board President Wilson's Special Train, Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3.— President Wilson received from Secretary Lansing today what members of his party characterized as "very im-portant despatches" relating to the foreign situation. Their exact con-

tents were not revealed, but it was un-derstood they related to the Lusitania and Appam cases. The president spent the late after-noon reading the despatches in his private car and through them getting in touch with developments in the for-

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IN MAINE ASSURED. President Wilson Informed by Letter -\$10,000 Subscription Assured.

Portland, Me., Feb. 3. — George L. Crossman, chairman of the state wide ommittee, announced today that he ad informed President Wilson by letter that the establishment of the Can-Civic, educational and social workers were at Asheville, N. C., for the opening session of the tweifth annual child labor conference under the auspices of the national child labor committee. The conference will adjourn Sunday.

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